- 1 No. 14 again, please.
- 2 A Okay.
- 3 Q You don't have recall of every fax you've gotten
- 4 since 1996, do you, ma'am?
- 5 A No, I do not.
- 6 Q And just because you don't have recall of this
- 7 particular Exhibit No. 14 doesn't mean that you might have
- 8 received it and you just don't recall it today?
- 9 A That's correct.
- 10 Q Do you recall, ma'am, as you sit here on the
- 11 witness stand today in 2001 any conversations you may have
- 12 had with Mr. Ronald Brasher in 1996?
- 13 A No.
- 14 JUDGE STEINBERG: Do you even know Mr. Ronald
- 15 Brasher?
- 16 THE WITNESS: The name is very familiar.
- 17 BY MR. ROMNEY:
- 18 Q Have you ever met Mr. Brasher before today?
- 19 A I don't think so.
- 20 Q Okay. Do you know which one he is? These are
- both Messrs. Brasher, Ronald is the more mature gentleman.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Is the least young one.
- MR. ROMNEY: The least young. Yes.
- 24 BY MR. ROMNEY:
- Q Now, I would also ask you to take in front of

- 1 you -- pertaining to Exhibit No. 14 -- well, I think it is
- there on Exhibit No. 14, the fourth page in?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q Do you recognize the name John Black?
- 5 A Yes, I do.
- 6 Q Do you know Mr. Black?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q What kind of business is he in, do you know?
- 9 A He provides license -- he prepares license
- 10 requests for licensing.
- 11 Q And you can identify from page 4 of Exhibit No. 14
- 12 that Mr. Black was the preparer of the application or the
- 13 contact representative on this particular application?
- 14 A That's correct. Yes.
- 15 Q Now, if there had been a request regarding a
- 16 cancellation that was too late, is it a possibility that you
- may have called Mr. Black as opposed to calling Mr. Brasher?
- 18 A That's possible. Yes.
- 19 Q So it would not be beyond your imagination that
- 20 Mr. Brasher could lack any memory of you contacting him and
- 21 saying that this had already gone in, would it?
- 22 A No. It would not be unusual for me to contact the
- 23 preparer of the license.
- Q Thank you. You don't have any personal knowledge.
- do you, whether or not Mr. Brasher made an effort, Mr.

- 1 Ronald Brasher made an effort, to cancel the Ruth Bearden
- 2 application, do you?
- 3 A No.
- 4 Q Some of your questions regarding the coordination
- of frequencies, you stated that once the PCIA coordinates
- the frequency and passes that information on to the FCC, it
- 7 is then the FCC's responsibility to determine whether or not
- 8 the channels have actually been loaded? Was that your
- 9 testimony?
- 10 A No, we make that determination at PCIA.
- 11 Q Okay. But if there is an application for a single
- frequency such as the ones that you have been shown here
- today, the actual verification of the loading of those
- 14 channels is done by the FCC? Is that correct?
- 15 A Well, as far as complying with the license, yes.
- 16 Q And that is done trough a Form 800 construct
- 17 letter?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 (Pause.)
- 20 Q If an applicant for a channel or for a frequency
- 21 in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, let's take for example, since
- 22 that's where these events occurred, had a station already
- 23 built and loaded in the Dallas area and then were to apply
- 24 for a secondary site such as what we've referred to in this
- 25 particular litigation as the Allen, Texas area, would that

- application for a secondary site for a channel justify the
- loading requirements that are required by PCIA?
- A I'm not quite sure that I understand the
- 4 terminology that you're requesting. Sites are considered
- 5 either primary or secondary. If the site is considered
- 6 primary, it must have loading. A secondary site is afforded
- 7 no loading and is afforded no protection.
- 8 Q How about a second site, not a secondary site, but
- 9 just a second site?
- 10 A A second site would --
- 11 Q With the same frequencies.
- 12 A On the same frequency, if they wanted that site
- 13 protected from no other intrusions from another licensee,
- 14 they would have to have the 90 units at that second site.
- 15 Q If that channel were programmed into the same
- 16 radios that were used on the primary site, would that
- 17 satisfy the loading requirement, as far as you understand
- 18 it?
- 19 A No.
- 20 Q And is there a particular rule upon which you base
- 21 that answer or a particular FCC rule that you are aware of?
- 22 A It goes back to 90.313, meaning that you have to
- 23 have 90 units around each transmitter in order to be
- 24 afforded primary status and protection.
- Q Now, if someone were to have received advice in

- 1 the 1995-1996 timeframe that they were not permitted to make
- 2 applications for separate frequencies under the same name,
- 3 would that advice have been incorrect?
- 4 A They can make -- that would be incorrect.
- 5 Q Thank you. Are you familiar with the term managed
- 6 station?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q Does that mean anything to you?
- 9 A I can give you my definition.
- 10 Q Would you, please?
- 11 A A managed system would be one in which someone
- other than the applicant would be handling the day-to-day
- 13 operations.
- 14 Q And that is permitted by the rules of the FCC, as
- 15 far as you know?
- 16 A As far as I know, yes.
- 17 Q And that was common in the industry as of 1995 and
- 18 1996?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q Are you familiar with an entity by the acronym
- 21 ITA?
- 22 A Yes.
- Q What is that, please?
- 24 A That's the Industrial Telecommunications
- 25 Association.

- 1 Q And what kind of an organization is that?
- 2 A They are they same type of organization as PCIA.
- 3 However, they are the certified frequency coordinator for
- 4 the industrial pool of frequencies.
- 5 O And how does that differ between what PCIA does?
- A In '96, the pools were separated into 13 different
- 7 pools. There as a business pool, industrial, land
- 8 transportation, public safety, and so we were assigned
- 9 different frequencies which to manage.
- 10 Q And today, are they still different entities?
- 11 A The pools with reforming have come together.
- 12 Q You used the term reforming?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 O And what does that mean?
- 15 A That means the frequencies below 800 megahertz
- were consolidated into one pool.
- 17 Q So there are two entities out there even today,
- 18 PCIA and ITA, that do coordination of frequencies for FCC?
- 19 A There are more than that.
- 20 Q Now, is there ever a time, for example, when PCIA
- 21 and ITA disagree on interpretation of FCC rules?
- 22 A I'm sure there is.
- 23 Q And you're familiar with that happening in the
- 24 past?
- 25 A Yes.

- 1 MR. ROMNEY: Pass the witness, Your Honor.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Are you familiar with someone
- 3 named -- is his first name Scott? Fennell?
- 4 MR. ROMNEY: Fennell.
- 5 JUDGE STEINBERG: F-e-n-n-e-l-l?
- 6 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 7 JUDGE STEINBERG: Is his first name Scott?
- 8 MR. ROMNEY: Yes.
- 9 THE WITNESS: He's a former employee.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: So he worked at PCIA.
- 11 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Do you know when?
- 13 THE WITNESS: During this timeframe.
- 14 JUDGE STEINBERG: The '95-'96 timeframe?
- THE WITNESS: Yes.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: If he had told somebody that a
- 17 single individual could not apply for more than channel or
- 18 frequency pair in their own name, that advice would have
- 19 been incorrect?
- 20 THE WITNESS: Given what you said, yes. I mean,
- 21 I --
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Is there another way to say it
- 23 that would make the answer no?
- THE WITNESS: Well, yes. I mean, it is not -- a
- 25 person can apply for more than one single frequency on

- 1 multiple applications. What he may have inferred or implied
- 2 was that if you apply for more than one frequency on the
- 3 same application, the Commission may come back and ask you
- 4 for justification for your loading.
- 5 JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay. From your experience --
- And you may want to object to this, so I'm putting
- 7 you on notice --
- 8 MR. ROMNEY: I object, then.
- 9 JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay. I'd say wait for the
- 10 question to be asked.
- 11 From your experience in dealing with people like
- John Black and I assume that you used to deal extensively
- 13 with the applicants themselves --
- 14 THE WITNESS: Correct.
- 15 JUDGE STEINBERG: Was that concept -- when I say
- 16 "that concept" I mean you can apply for one frequency per
- 17 application and file as many applications as you wanted, but
- you couldn't apply for two frequencies in the same
- 19 application until you were fully loaded, that is the concept
- 20 I'm talking about. From your experience during that
- 21 particular time period, was that something that
- 22 applicants -- that caused confusion to applicants?
- THE WITNESS: It may have.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay. But, I mean, did you have
- occasion to explain that to lots of people during that time

- 1 period?
- THE WITNESS: No.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay. So you really don't know
- 4 the answer to the question.
- 5 THE WITNESS: No.
- 6 JUDGE STEINBERG: That it would basically be the
- 7 individual involved -- whether there was confusion would be
- 8 basically up to the individual you were dealing with.
- 9 THE WITNESS: Correct.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Some people were confused, some
- 11 people weren't.
- 12 THE WITNESS: That's right.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: You didn't object.
- MR. ROMNEY: I didn't.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: So I quess it must have been
- 16 good questions.
- MR. ROMNEY: Good questions, Your Honor.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay.
- 19 Mr. Pedigo?
- 20 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 21 BY MR. PEDIGO:
- 22 Q Good morning, Ms. Ross. My name is Lawson Pedigo
- and Ronnie Wilson and I represent Dave and Diane Brasher.
- Just a couple of quick questions.
- I believe you've already testified that -- let me

- 1 give you a hypothetical. DLB Enterprises, let's say, puts
- 2 its name on ten applications and as long as the frequency
- 3 pair on each application, there's only one frequency pair
- 4 requested on each application, PCIA would coordinate that,
- 5 process it and forward it to the FCC. Is that correct?
- 6 A That's correct.
- 7 Q Then it would be up to the FCC to determine
- 8 compliance with the rule 90.313 in terms of the loading.
- 9 A That's correct.
- 10 Q Okay. If you were trying to take on a new
- 11 customer that needed, let's say, 600 or 700 units, it
- wouldn't make sense, would it, that you would take 90 units
- at a time if you were trying to get one customer that
- 14 instantaneously needed 700 units. Is that correct? Do you
- 15 understand my hypothetical?
- 16 A I understand your hypothetical. 470 is a little
- 17 bit different than some of the other radio services where
- you are allowed to get the license for whatever number of
- 19 units that you need and then construct it and load it and
- 20 have a timeframe to load your system. 470 was different in
- 21 that you had to have the loading up front. So what would
- 22 happen if -- and this would be what I would ask the
- 23 applicant is -- I go ahead and assign you these frequencies
- and your contract with your customer falls through?
- Q Right. But that would be the type of rationale

- 1 for granting those ten applications that DLB Enterprises
- 2 would then talk to the FCC about.
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q Okay. And the FCC could perhaps give credence to
- 5 that explanation or not, but it would be their decision
- 6 then.
- 7 A That would be their decision and that would be
- 8 something I would forward to the Commission to let them make
- 9 the final determination on.
- 10 Q And in that case, if they thought that that was a
- 11 reasonable justification for asking for ten different
- frequency pairs at 90 units each, then DLB Enterprises would
- have ended up with licenses that the FCC thought was
- 14 appropriate. Is that correct?
- 15 A That's correct.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: When these ten -- let's say
- these hypothetical ten applications were sent to the FCC,
- would PCIA indicate in any way that these ten applications
- 19 were filed for ten frequencies by the same applicant? Or
- 20 would that be up to the FCC to marry them up, if you know
- 21 what I mean?
- 22 THE WITNESS: I would think that if -- looking at
- 23 the dates, they were all filed at the same time at the
- 24 Commission, so probably they would make that determination
- 25 there.

- JUDGE STEINBERG: But PCIA would not point this
- 2 out to the Commission.
- 3 THE WITNESS: No.
- 4 JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay. So the Commission -- if
- 5 the Commission realized they were -- it was up to the
- 6 Commission to realize that there were ten applications by
- 7 the same applicant for different frequencies.
- 8 THE WITNESS: That's correct.
- 9 BY MR. PEDIGO:
- 10 Q But based on the date stamp, you think that would
- 11 be the kind of pattern that the FCC would likely become
- 12 aware of.
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q All right. Have you ever seen the FCC deal then
- directly with an applicant to make technical changes to
- 16 applications?
- 17 A For technical data?
- 18 Q Well, or any -- what changes have you seen the FCC
- 19 deal with an applicant on?
- 20 A Not directly, very little. If it's a technical
- 21 data type of change, it has to come back through the
- frequency coordinator for re-certification, so we would be
- 23 made aware of that.
- Q Okay. But if the FCC determined that they would
- 25 rather have DLB Enterprises be the applicant rather than ten

- 1 separate names, that is something they could have pointed
- 2 out and that could have been corrected at that time?
- 3 A I'm not sure if the FCC would make that
- 4 determination.
- 5 MR. PEDIGO: Okay. All right.
- 6 No further questions, Your Honor.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Any redirect?
- 8 MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: Yes. Just a couple of
- 9 questions.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Unfortunately, my time schedule
- 11 didn't include redirect, but we're well within our time.
- 12 I can't think of everything.
- MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: Okay.
- 14 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT:
- 16 O I'd like to show you what's been marked RB/PB
- 17 Exhibit 10 and RB/PB Exhibit 11. I'd like to know if you
- 18 recognize those.
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q Okay. Could you say what they are?
- 21 A They are the notification letters that we send out
- 22 to our dealers and customers when we receive applications
- and then when we forward them to the FCC.
- Q Okay. If I told you an application was forwarded
- to the FCC, was received by the FCC July 16, 1996, when

- 1 would the card that went to the application that it was
- 2 forwarded to the FCC be mailed?
- 3 A Generally speaking, these particular cards are on
- 4 an overnight process, so they would be printed out the day
- 5 after, the next business day after coordination had been
- 6 completed and then they would be mailed within the first
- 7 couple of days.
- 8 We file applications with the FCC within three
- 9 business days of the date of coordination.
- 10 Q So regardless of who you called to say it had been
- forwarded to the FCC, the applicant would have been mailed a
- 12 notice that it was forwarded to the FCC?
- 13 A The applicant or the dealer, yes.
- MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: Okay. I have two other
- 15 questions that should have been asked on direct.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Well, we'll have recross, so ask
- 17 your questions.
- Does anybody object?
- MR. ROMNEY: I'm sorry?
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Mr. Kellett said he's got two
- 21 questions he should have asked on direct.
- Just ask them.
- MR. PEDIGO: We'll yield.
- MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: Okay. Thank you.
- 25 (Pause.)

- MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: I'd like to have this
- 2 marked -- I think I'm on 71.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Correct.
- 4 MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: 71, 72 and 73.
- 5 JUDGE STEINBERG: Do you have any order in which
- 6 you want them --
- 7 MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: It doesn't matter,
- 8 Your Honor. How about in chronological order, if we could?
- 9 JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay. Exhibit 71, Public Notice
- 10 released August --
- MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: I think it's July 1, 1987.
- 12 JUDGE STEINBERG: Well, I see a date of --
- MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: It's in August '87.
- 14 JUDGE STEINBERG: Where do you see July 1, 1987?
- 15 MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: The one with Detroit --
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Well, I don't have that one.
- 17 (Pause.)
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Well, I'll tell you. Let's go
- 19 off the record.
- 20 (A brief recess was taken.)
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Back on the record.
- Exhibit 71, Public Notice dated July 1, 1987.
- Now, attached to that is an August 21, 1987 notice, Public
- 24 Notice?
- MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: No, July 1 is 71.

| 1 | JUDGE STEINBERG: Let's go off the record again. |
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| 2 | (A brief recess was taken.) |
| 3 | JUDGE STEINBERG: We're back on the record. |
| 4 | I'm going to mark for identification three |
| 5 | exhibits, Enforcement Bureau exhibits. |
| 6 | Marked for identification as Exhibit 71 is a |
| 7 | public notice dated July 1, 1987 and it consists of a total |
| 8 | of six pages. |
| 9 | (The document referred to was |
| 10 | marked for identification as |
| 11 | EB Exhibit No. 71.) |
| 12 | JUDGE STEINBERG: Marked for identification as |
| 13 | Enforcement Bureau Exhibit No. 72 is a public notice dated |
| 14 | August 21, 1987, 12 pages. |
| 15 | (The document referred to was |
| 16 | marked for identification as |
| 17 | EB Exhibit No. 72.) |
| 18 | JUDGE STEINBERG: Marked for identification as EE |
| 19 | Exhibit No. 73 is a public notice dated September 18, 1987 |
| 20 | and it is a total of five pages. |
| 21 | (The document referred to was |
| 22 | marked for identification as |
| 23 | EB Exhibit No. 73.) |
| 24 | JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay. Mr. Kellett? |
| 25 | MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: Okay. |
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- 1 BY MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT:
- Q Ms. Ross, I believe you testified you were working
- 3 for NABER in 1987. Is that correct?
- 4 A That's correct.
- Were you aware at that time of the 900 megahertz
- 6 lottery that the Commission held?
- 7 A No. These were issued prior to my start date.
- 8 Q Okay. Were you aware in 1987 of the lottery?
- 9 A No.
- 10 Q Okay. Do you know if the applications for the
- 11 lottery needed to be coordinated?
- 12 A They did not.
- 13 Q Okay. So how do you know that?
- 14 A Typically, the applications don't require
- 15 coordination for a lottery purpose.
- 16 Q Okay. Were you aware of other lotteries the FCC
- 17 held at or about the same time, in the following years?
- 18 A No.
- 19 O Okay. So if they didn't require coordination,
- 20 would the cards have been sent?
- 21 A No.
- 22 MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: I'd ask that we take
- 23 official notice of these releases.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Well, why don't we get through
- 25 the recross and then we can do the exhibits later.

| 1 | | Mr. Romney? | |
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| 2 | | RECROSS-EXAMINATION | |
| 3 | | BY MR. ROMNEY: | |
| 4 | Q | Was it your testimony, ma'am, that applications | |
| 5 | that were | filed for the lottery were not coordinated through | |
| 6 | NABER or | PCIA? | |
| 7 | A | I'm not aware that they were. | |
| 8 | Q | Do you have any knowledge if the applications that | |
| 9 | were subm | itted in the 900 megahertz lottery were retained by | |
| 10 | any organ | ization? | |
| 11 | А | No, I don't. | |
| 12 | Q | You just don't have any knowledge? | |
| 13 | А | I don't have any knowledge. No. | |
| 14 | | MR. ROMNEY: Pass the witness, Your Honor. | |
| 15 | | RECROSS-EXAMINATION | |
| 16 | | BY MR. PEDIGO: | |
| 17 | Q | On this lottery, did it make a difference if it | |
| 18 | was a user license or a business license? If you know. | | |
| 19 | А | I don't know. Looking at the public notices, | |
| 20 | these were | e for SMR applicants and we didn't provide | |
| 21 | coordinat | ion services for 900 megahertz SMR entities. | |
| 22 | Q | Well, if you were a winner of this lottery, you | |
| 23 | would have | e received a license for 900. Is that correct? | |
| 24 | А | Yes. | |
| 25 | Q | And if you got the license, then you would start | |
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- 1 receiving mail. Isn't that correct?
- 2 A What do you mean by mail?
- 3 Q I'm sorry, mail from the FTC. I'm sorry.
- 4 A Yes. You would get your license in the mail,
- 5 I would assume.
- 6 Q And if somebody were to try to retrieve
- 7 information about who won a license, that information should
- 8 be in a database some place. Is that correct?
- 9 A I would imagine it would be public information.
- 10 Yes.
- MR. PEDIGO: No further questions, Your Honor.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay. Mr. Kerben, do you have
- 13 any questions?
- MR. KERBEN: Not at this time.
- 15 JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay. Then the witness is
- 16 excused.
- I want to thank you very much for coming and
- 18 testifying. We appreciate it. Somebody will tell you about
- 19 the sequestration limits and rules that we have.
- 20 (The witness was excused.)
- 21 JUDGE STEINBERG: Let's take a ten-minute break.
- 22 (A brief recess was taken.)
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Ms. Bolsover, could you please
- 24 stand and raise your right hand?
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| 1 | | Whereupon, | |
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| 2 | | GAIL BOLSOVER | |
| 3 | | having been first duly sworn, was called as a | |
| 4 | witness h | nerein and was examined and testified as follows: | |
| 5 | | DIRECT EXAMINATION | |
| 6 | | BY MS. LANCASTER: | |
| 7 | Q | Would you please state your full name for the | |
| 8 | record? | | |
| 9 | А | Gail Bolsover. | |
| 10 | Q | And are you employed, Ms. Bolsover? | |
| 11 | A | Yes, I'm employed by the U.S. Postal Inspection | |
| 12 | Service Crime Lab at Dulles, Virginia. | | |
| 13 | Q | And what is your title there? | |
| 14 | A | Forensic Document Analyst. | |
| 15 | Q | And how long have you been an employee of the | |
| 16 | Postal Se | ervice? | |
| 17 | А | I've been employed with the Postal Service since | |
| 18 | November | of 1977. | |
| 19 | Q | Prior to your employment with the Postal Service, | |
| 20 | where did | l you work? | |
| 21 | А | I worked for the U.S. Treasury Department, Bureau | |
| 22 | of Govern | ment Financial Operations. | |
| 23 | Q | And how long were you there? | |
| 24 | А | Just over two years. | |
| 25 | Q | And what did you do there? | |
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- 1 A I was in training to be a forensic document
- 2 analyst.
- Okay. Can you briefly describe the nature of your
- 4 work as a document analyst?
- 5 A Yes. I examine and compare questioned
- 6 handwriting, handprinting and typewriting for the purpose of
- 7 identifying or eliminating known subjects and I formally
- 8 report those findings and then give expert testimony if I am
- 9 required.
- 10 Q Okay. And in your official capacity, how much
- time is devoted to this profession, doing just that?
- 12 A My full working day.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Can I ask, is anybody going to
- 14 question the expertise of the witness?
- MR. ROMNEY: No. sir.
- MR. PEDIGO: No, Your Honor.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay.
- MS. LANCASTER: Your Honor, I would still like to
- 19 have it on the record because it's going to come in when we
- 20 question the expertise of the opposing witness.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay.
- 22 BY MS. LANCASTER:
- 23 Q What is the extent of your formal education?
- 24 A I have a Bachelor of Arts from the American
- University in Washington, D.C. and a Master's of Forensic

- 1 Science from the George Washington University in Washington,
- 2 D.C.
- 3 Q And what special training have you received to
- 4 prepare for the work you are doing as a document analyst?
- 5 A I received specialized training from several
- 6 experienced document examiners and it consists of reading
- 7 leading references, attending United States Secret Service
- 8 and FBI training courses and conducting examinations under
- 9 the guidance of those experienced examiners.
- 10 Q Have you been certified by any professional
- organizations to practice questioned document examination?
- 12 A Yes. I'm a diplomate of the American Board of
- 13 Forensic Document Examiners.
- 14 Q And what is the American Board of Forensic
- 15 Document Examiners?
- 16 A It's a certifying board that was set up in 1977
- 17 from a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice in order
- 18 for the legal community to be able to differentiate between
- 19 forensic document examiner and a graphologist.
- 20 Q Is it sponsored or recognized by any other
- 21 preeminent organizations in this particular area?
- 22 A Yes. The American Academy of Forensic Sciences is
- a sponsor, the American Society of Questioned Document
- 24 Examiners, and the Canadian Society of Forensic Scientists,
- 25 all are sponsors of the board.

- 1 Q Do those organizations certify any other
- organization or do they recognize that any other
- 3 organization is qualified to certify anyone as a document
- 4 examiner?
- 5 A Not as a forensic document examiner, no.
- 6 Q Okay. For shortness, because I can't say that
- 7 long name every time, I'm going go to refer to it as ABFDE.
- 8 Do you understand that I mean the American -- what is it?
- 9 A American Board of Forensic Document Examiners.
- 10 Q Thank you. Are members of the American Board of
- 11 Forensic Document Examiners recognized by the U.S. courts?
- 12 A Yes, they are.
- 13 Q Can you get a job in a federal or state lab
- 14 without being a member of ABFDE?
- 15 A You either have to be a member or you have to be
- 16 qualified to be a member.
- 17 Q Can you tell me what the minimum qualifications
- 18 are to be a member?
- 19 A You need a Bachelor's degree. You need a two to
- 20 two and a half year training program, a certified training
- 21 program certified by the board and conducted by examiners
- 22 who are recognized by the board.
- Q When you say two to two and a years, is that a
- 24 full-time training program?
- 25 A Yes, it is.

- 1 Q I believe you testified just a moment ago that you
- were at the Treasury Department and that that was an
- 3 apprenticeship for you?
- 4 A Yes, it was.
- 5 Q Is that one of the certified programs that would
- 6 be recognized in order to obtain certification by ABFDE?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 MS. LANCASTER: I would move that she be accepted
- 9 as an expert, Your Honor.
- MR. ROMNEY: No objection, Your Honor.
- MR. PEDIGO: No, objection.
- 12 JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay. Motion granted.
- 13 BY MS. LANCASTER:
- 14 Q Ms. Bolsover, do you recall that in late January,
- 15 early to mid February I sent you some documents for you to
- 16 examine for the genuineness of the handwriting on them?
- 17 A Yes, I did.
- 18 Q Before I specifically ask you about those
- 19 documents or your findings, can you tell the judge, are
- there various categories of findings, of identification that
- 21 you make?
- 22 A Yes. I have three basic categories that I use,
- 23 three or four. I wrote a report in which I say that someone
- has been identified and that is a positive identification.
- I say that it is highly probable that someone has written

- 1 something and I use that specifically for photocopies. If
- I have a photocopy that is a good, clear photocopy and if it
- 3 had been the original, I would have said the person has been
- 4 identified, I back off some because I'm looking at a
- 5 photocopy and I don't have, you know, the original writing,
- 6 so I say it's highly probable that they wrote it.
- 7 Q Now, let me interrupt you for one second.
- 8 Do photocopies distort the image?
- 9 A You might lose some of the individual
- 10 characteristics.
- 11 Q Okay. I'm sorry, go ahead.
- 12 A And then I say that someone probably wrote
- 13 something and that is that there is enough evidence to
- 14 suggest the likelihood that they did.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay. What was that? You said
- 16 probable was the third category?
- 17 THE WITNESS: Probable.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: And why don't you define that
- 19 again.
- 20 THE WITNESS: There is enough evidence to suggest
- 21 the likelihood. And, again, there could be a lot of
- reasons, either the lack of no writing or the fact that you
- have, again, a photocopy but a very poor photocopy. There's
- 24 different reasons why I have to say someone probably wrote
- something. And then I have that basically it can't be